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## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OLENE WALKER INTRODUCES THE NEW HIGH-RESOLUTION UTAH WIND MAP AND THE UTAH WIND AND SOLAR ENERGY CONFERENCE

In August 2002, the Utah Energy Office, Department of Natural Resources contracted with TrueWind Solutions to build a set of new high-resolution wind maps. Using a modified weather prediction computer program and 30-years of historical data, TrueWind has created annual, seasonal, and monthly maps of average wind power density and average wind speeds in Utah.

Speakers at the upcoming press conference will highlight the new Utah Wind Map and will share how much cost-effective electricity can be generated by wind energy on the utility scale level, the benefits of wind power to our air quality and the upcoming Utah Wind and Solar Energy Conference on October 1st.

What: Press Conference

When: Monday, September 29, 2003, 11am

Where: Governor's Board Room

## **Speakers:**

Lieutenant Governor Olene Walker Richard Sprott, Director of Air Quality

The press conference will be followed by a 10-minute question and answer period.

The September 29, 2003 conference is being coordinated by the Utah Energy Office